GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXPORT ORIENTED AGRICULTURAL POLICY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to make its agricultural policy more export oriented in view of the opening of the Indian agriculture market for agricultural products of other countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the States identified where agricultural export Centres are likely to be set up; and

(d) the criteria adopted while setting up of such centers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)&(b): The National Agriculture Policy lays stress on the promotion of the exports ofagricultural products. It envisages the evolution of a two-fold long-term strategy of diversification of agricultural produce and value addition; thereby enabling the production system to respond to external environment and creating export demand for commodities.

(c)&(d): The States have been requested to identify product specific Agri export zone for end to end development for export of specific products from a geographically contiguous area.